

103. If in any year any officer whose duty it is to make any division, brigade, regiment or company return to the adjutant general, shall fail to do so for two months after the same shall become due, the adjutant general shall certify the same to the Governor, who shall thereupon revoke or cancel the *commission* of the officer so failing; *Provided*, that whenever any officer whose duty it shall be to make such return, shall not be able to do so in consequence of the neglect or refusal of any officer to make such reports to said officer as are required by law, or for the want of such officers being in commission, he shall report the fact to the adjutant general, who shall certify the same to the Governor, which shall be deemed a compliance with the provisions of this article, and the commission of such officer shall not be revoked.

104. Each commissioned officer of the militia of this State shall take the following oath in addition to the oath prescribed by the Constitution, "I, A. B., do swear that I will be true and faithful to the State of Maryland, and that I will diligently and faithfully do and perform the several duties assigned me as ——— in the militia of the State of Maryland, according to the best of my skill and ability, so help me God," and a certificate of his having done so shall be endorsed on his commission by the person who shall have administered such oath.

105. All fines and penalties imposed under this article shall be collected by the sheriff, and in cases where he is herein directed to collect them by distress he shall do so, and where fines and penalties are imposed by a court martial, the sheriff, on a certificate from such court martial of the imposition of the fine, shall collect the same by execution, in the same manner as if such certificate were an execution issued by proper authority; and in all other cases of fines, the sheriff shall collect the same by action of debt in the name of the State before a justice of the peace of his county, if the sum does not exceed one hundred dollars, and if the same exceeds one hundred dollars, before the Circuit Court for said county. All fines and penalties collected by the sheriff under this article shall be paid to the Treasurer.

106. The adjutant general shall receive an annual salary of one thousand dollars.

107. He shall report to the Governor on the first Monday of January, annually, the strength of the militia, designating all